

**National Geospatial Advisory Committee
December 7-8, 2021 Webinar Meeting Summary**

ACTIONS, DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS

Review and Adoption of October 2021 NGAC Minutes

DECISION: The NGAC adopted the minutes of the October 12-13, 2021 NGAC meeting.

FGDC Overview

ACTION: The next sets of appointments to the NGAC are under final review in the Department of the Interior. The schedule for announcement of the next two rounds of appointments is December 2021 and early 2022.

ACTION: FGDC staff is working with DOI offices to finalize the appointment of membership to the new NGAC 3DEP subcommittee. FGDC is also developing Operating Procedures that will describe the roles, responsibilities, and processes of the subcommittee.

FGDC Climate Mapping Report

ACTION: FGDC staff will summarize the feedback received from the NGAC on implementation of the FGDC climate mapping report, as well as key questions or topics that should be addressed in the 120-day review identified in FGDC report.

DECISION: The NGAC adopted the following resolution:

“The NGAC supports the vision and framework for the Climate Resilience Information System (CRIS) as presented to the Committee at its December 2021 meeting, and encourages the FGDC member agencies to commit to the following recommendations in support of resilient, climate smart communities:

- Focus on end user needs and common local / regional climate priorities.
- Consistent with Administration priorities on climate, prioritize development of critically needed National Geospatial Data Assets (NGDAs) and other geodata assets, including State, Tribal, academic, private sector, Federal, and local government data sources, needed to address climate community needs.
- Ensure FGDC participation in the CRIS core team to assure full integration of mapping capabilities and resources.
- Continue coordination with the organizations represented by members of the NGAC to ensure ongoing geospatial community input and support.\
- Encourage the involvement of all sectors, as listed above, and the development of partnership arrangements to assist in advancing CRIS and enhancing climate resilience.

The NGAC emphasizes the need for immediate and bold action toward implementation of community climate resilience capabilities, and we stand ready to offer our expertise and assistance.”

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ACTION: NGAC members are welcome to attend the December 13-15 roll-out event on the results of the Census TOP (The Opportunity Project) Climate/Smart Communities project. FGDC staff will provide webinar information.

Landsat Advisory Group (LAG) Subcommittee

ACTION: The LAG Subcommittee is planning to complete two papers by December 2021:

- **Task 1: Landsat in the Cloud Era**
What innovations should NLI consider a priority in providing data and information products in the cloud? Recommending innovations requires an understanding of the current status, policies that may restrict or facilitate innovation, and how these innovations might be accomplished.
- **Task 2: Where is the “Water’s Edge” of NLI Scope?**
Since Federal resources are limited, and we are in a “phase shift” in the Earth Observation community, what earth observation products should the Federal government provide to optimize benefit to the public?

Public-Private Partnerships (P3) / Stakeholder Engagement Subcommittees

ACTION: NGAC members should provide comments on the draft *Alliance for Location Leadership* national geospatial collaborative governance conceptual framework model to Mark Reichardt and Cy Smith by December 17.

GDA Reporting

ACTION: FGDC staff will schedule meetings with the GDA subcommittee in December/January to brief the members on the timing and approach for the 2021 cycle for GDA reporting and discuss how NGAC comments on the reporting process are being addressed. The NGAC review of the draft 2021 GDA reports is scheduled to begin in February 2022 per the FGDC timeline.

NGAC 2022 Activities

ACTION: The FGDC staff will coordinate with FGDC and NGAC leadership to refine & finalize NGAC study topics in early 2022

Next Meeting:

The next NGAC meeting will be held in Spring 2022 (late March/early April). Additional information about the 2022 meeting schedule will be provided soon.